



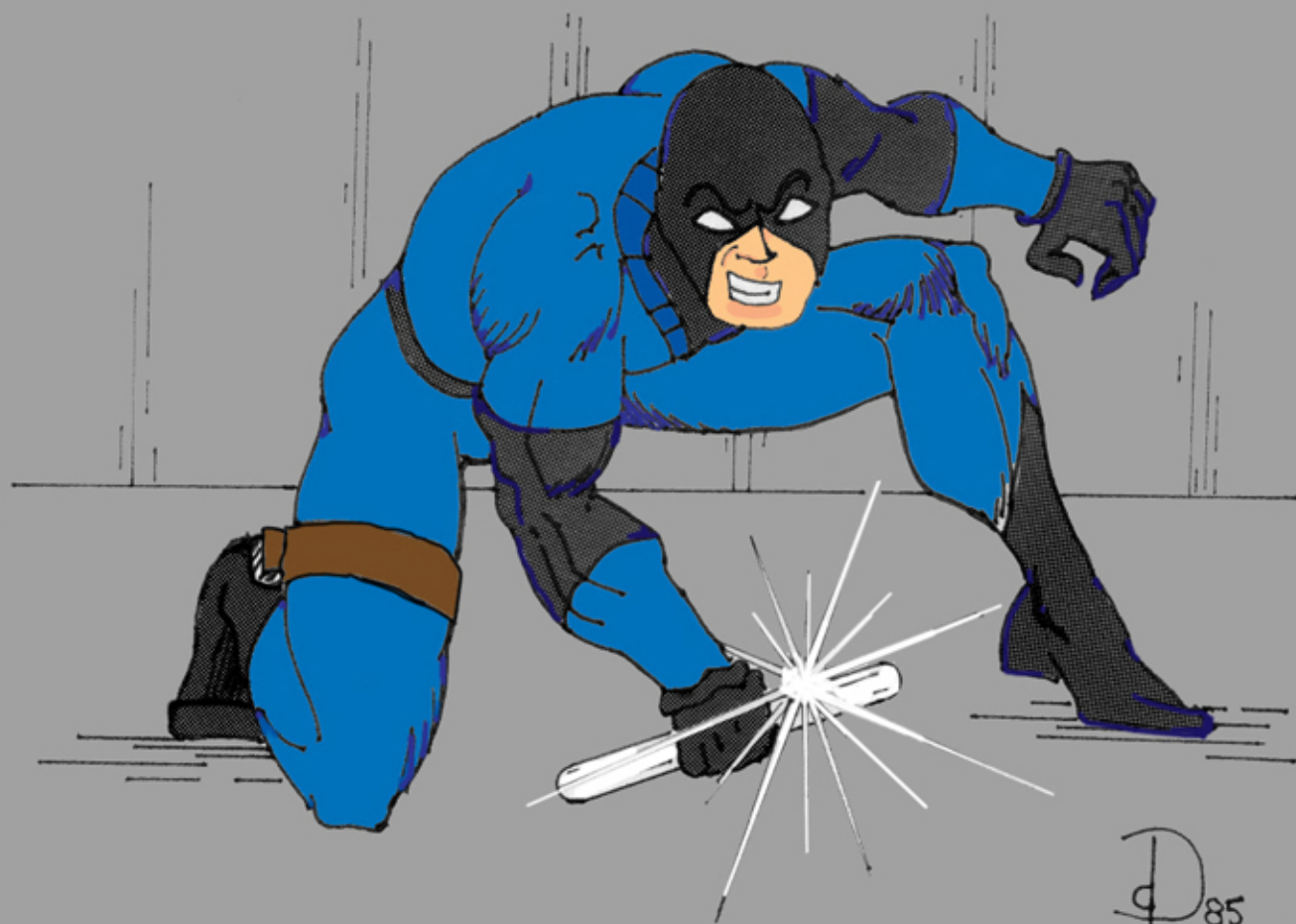
INSECT MAN'S WEIRD TALES

VOLUME:
NUMBER:

Presents:

ALL NEW
DOUBLE-
SIZED
ISSUE!!

Night Strike



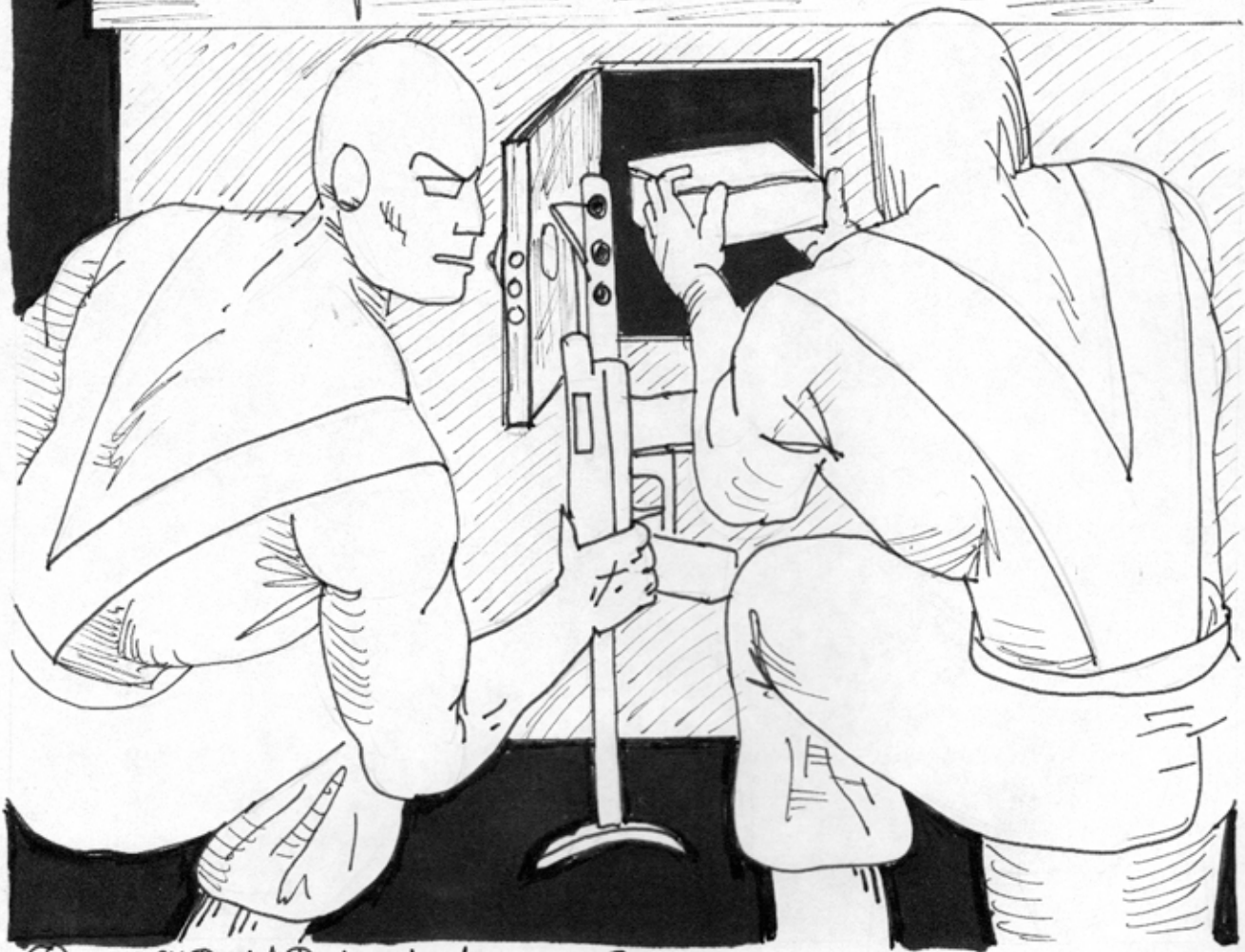
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NightStrike

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COME ON, WILL YOU HURRY
IT UP; SOMEONE'S COMING!

OKAY! I'VE GOT THE
BOX! JUST HOLD ON
A SECOND!



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MEANWHILE... AT THE INTERPOL HQ
OF FORT DEVENS...

...A FULL HOUSE,
JACK! YOU OWE
ME FIFTY-TWO
GRAND, NOW!

WHAT IS IT WITH
YOU YOUNG AGENTS?
I HAVEN'T WON A
HAND YET!



AGENT NIGHTSTRIKE...
REPORT TO CONFERENCE
ROOM, PLEASE...

SAVED BY THE
BELL! WE'LL
PLAY LATER,
MARK!



...SO THEY GOT AWAY WITH
A MILLION DOLLAR CHIP OF
SILICON?

THE MICROCHIP ITSELF
IS NOT IMPORTANT...
BUT IT CONTAINED
HIGHLY TOP SECRET
INFORMATION IN
A PROTO-TYPE
CODE FORMAT...

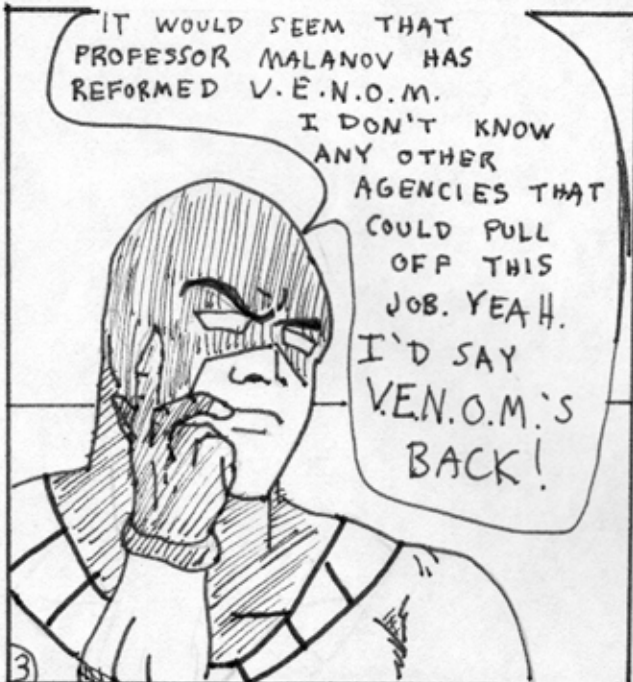
...AND YOU
NEED ME
TO GET
IT BACK!

AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE.



IT WOULD SEEM THAT
PROFESSOR MALANOV HAS
REFORMED V.E.N.O.M.

I DON'T KNOW
ANY OTHER
AGENCIES THAT
COULD PULL
OFF THIS
JOB. YEAH.
I'D SAY
V.E.N.O.M.'S
BACK!



THEN YOU
KNOW WHERE
THEY ARE?

NO.

CAN YOU
FIND
THEM?

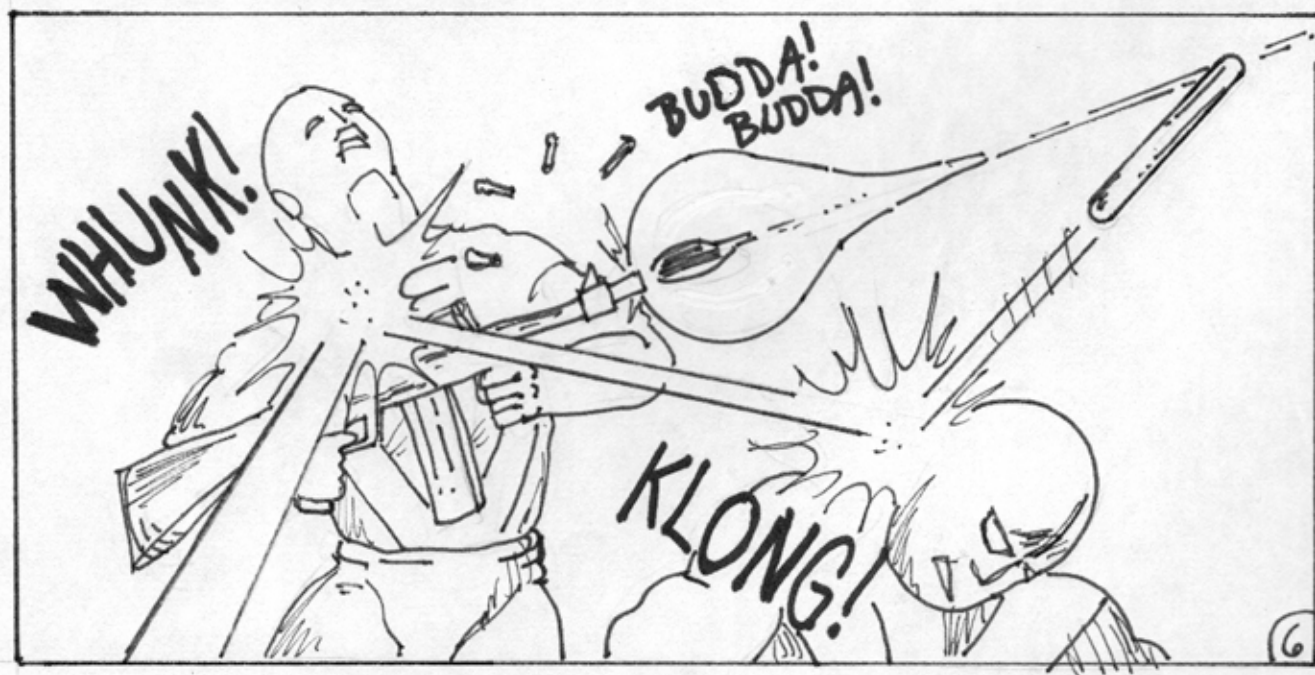
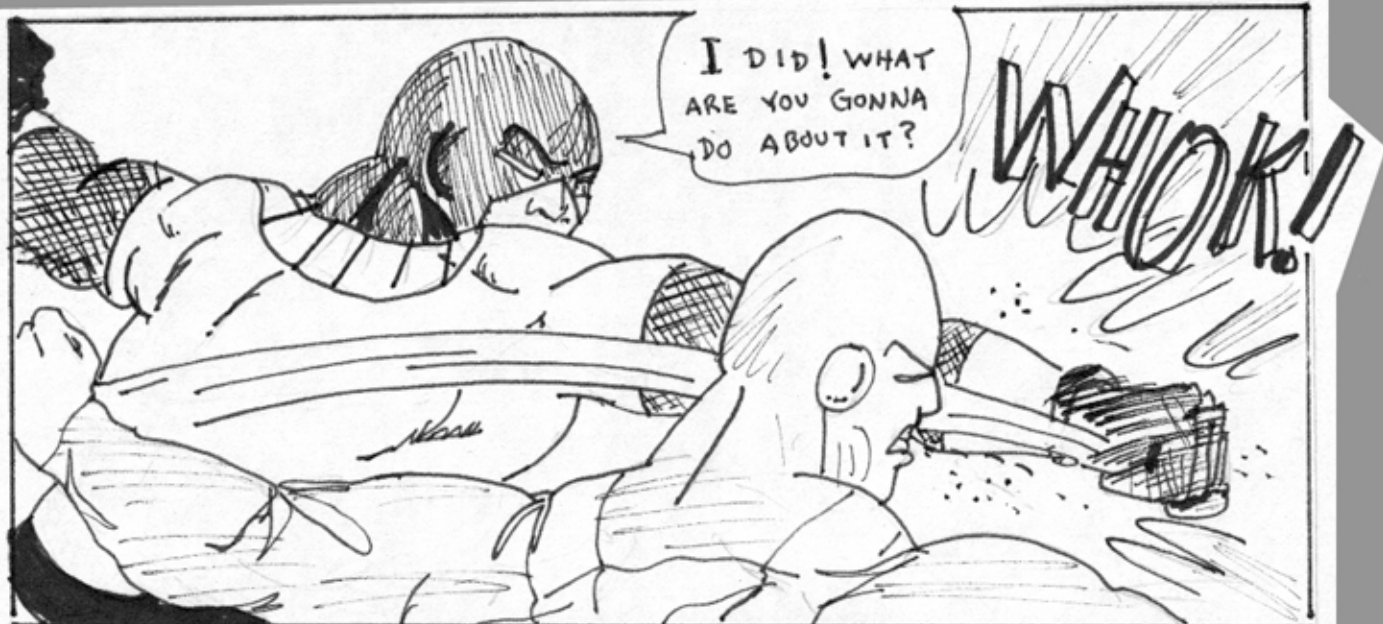
NO...





LATE THAT NIGHT...







SO WHY DO YOU DO
IT, JAKE? WHY CONTINUE
IF IT MAKES YOU SICK?



BECAUSE
I'M GOOD
AT IT.
VERY GOOD.

AND SO ARE YOU. THAT'S WHY I
WANT YOU PROMOTED TO LIBRA
DIVISION UNDER MY COMMAND.
THE PAPER WORK WILL BE
DONE ANY DAY
NOW.



THIS IS IT, MARK. LIBRA DIVISION.
A SUB-DIVISION OF INTERPOL DEVELOPED
TO COMBAT VARIOUS GROUPS OF SUPER-
POWERED VILLAINS AND WORLD CONQUERERS
THAT CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES
CAN'T HANDLE.



LIKE
V.E.N.O.M.?

ESPECIALLY
V.E.N.O.M.!

IT'S OUR
JOB TO OUT-
THINK THE
ENEMY, MARK...
USE NEW
TECHNOLOGY TO
OUR ADVANTAGE...

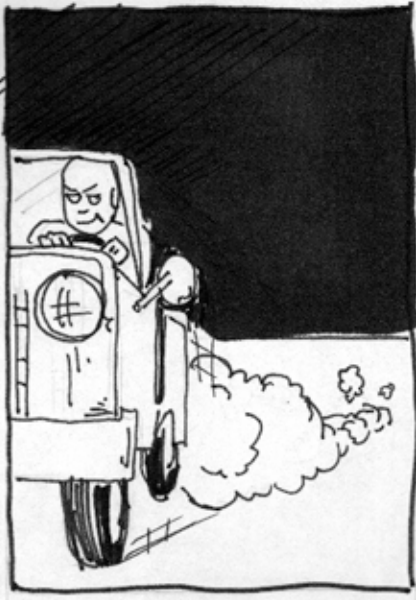


THEN JUST SIT BACK...

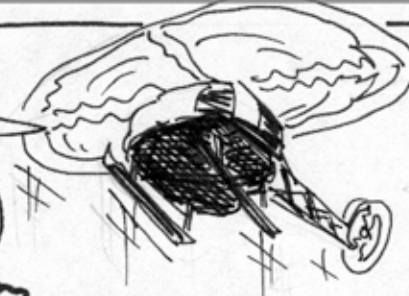
RELAX...

AND LET
THE COMPUTER
DO SOME OF THE
WORK FOR US!





THIS IS IT!
AGENT MARK OWENS,
YOU ARE NOW
UNDERTAKING
YOUR FIRST
MISSION...

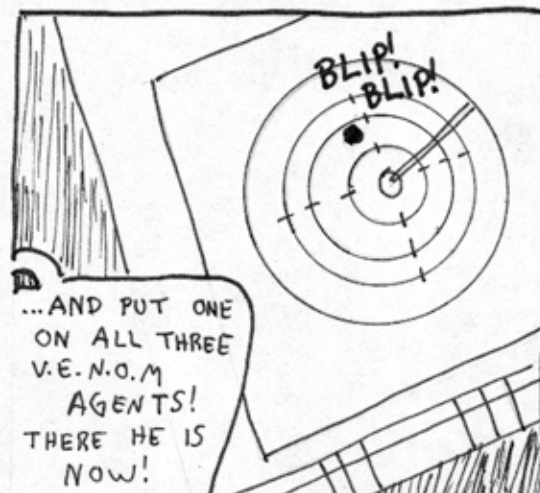


...AS AN OPERATIVE
OF LIBRA!
ANY QUESTIONS?

YEAH! HOW DID YOU
KNOW WHICH GUY
TO PUT THE
TRACER
ON?



I DIDN'T.
I JUST
GUESSED...



...AND PUT ONE
ON ALL THREE
V.E.N.O.M
AGENTS!
THERE HE IS
NOW!

THAT'S
CHEATING!



NO! THAT'S THE SPY
BUSINESS!



THE GOOD GUYS
DON'T ALWAYS
WIN...SO WE
PLAY LIKE
THE BAD
GUYS.

THAT'S A
FACT OF
LIFE, KID!



HE'S JUST BELOW
US, JACK!

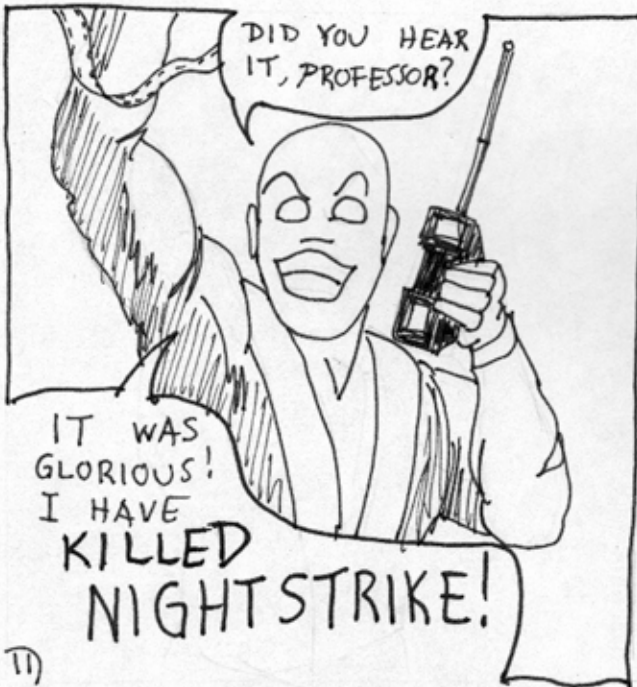
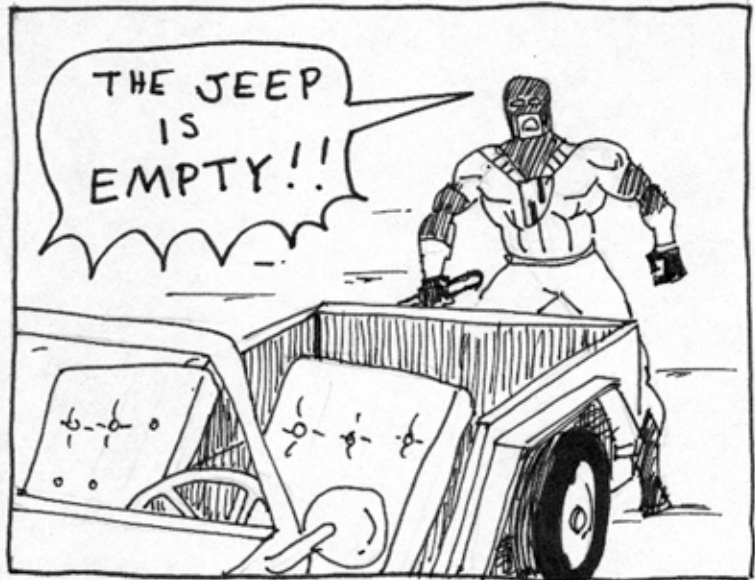
AND HE
AIN'T
MOVIN'
SOMETHING'S
WRONG!

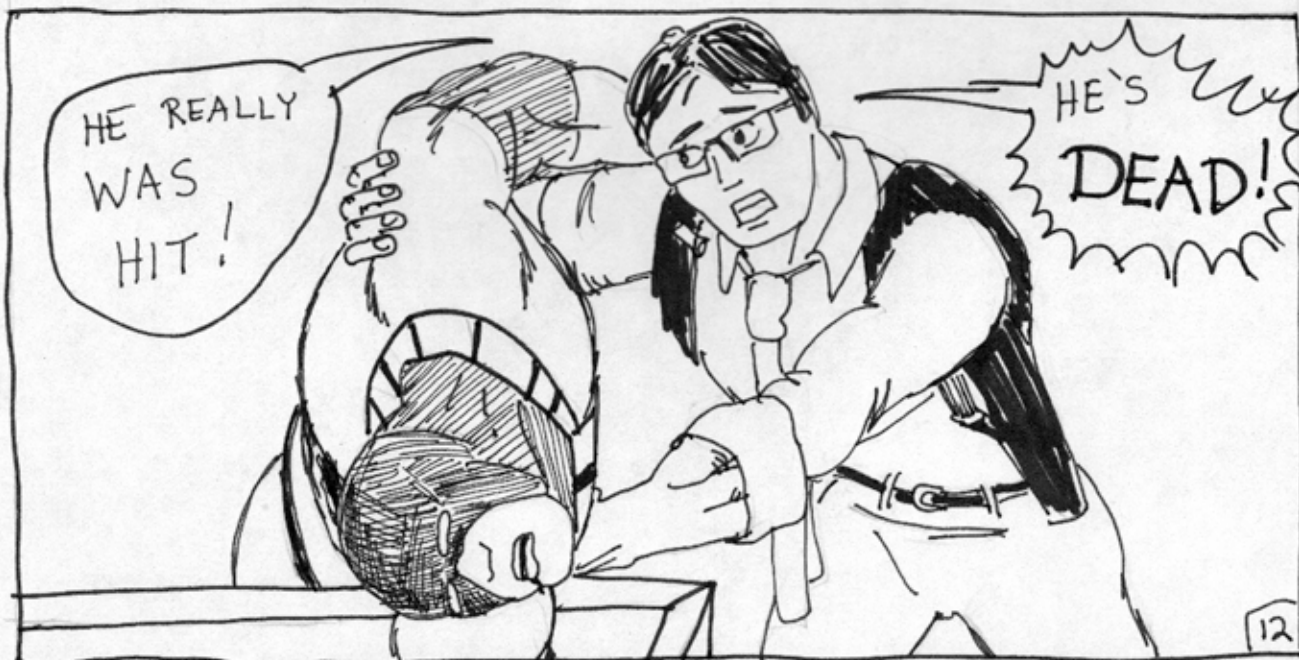


TAKE IT DOWN, MARK!
I WANT TO TAKE
A CLOSE LOOK.



MY NERVES
FEEL LIKE
SOMETHING
JUST AIN'T
RIGHT.





MEANWHILE...

DID YOU HEAR
THE GOOD
NEWS, MY
AGENTS?

WE'VE
WON!

NIGHTSTRIKE
IS
DEAD!!

WHAT
THE...?

WONK!

THE NIGHTSTICK??

UGH!

THAT'S RIGHT, PROFESSOR!!

NOOOO!

SHOOT
HIM!
KILL!

THAT'S IT,
BUDDY!

KEEP
SHOOTING AND
WASTING
BULLETS!

KZING!

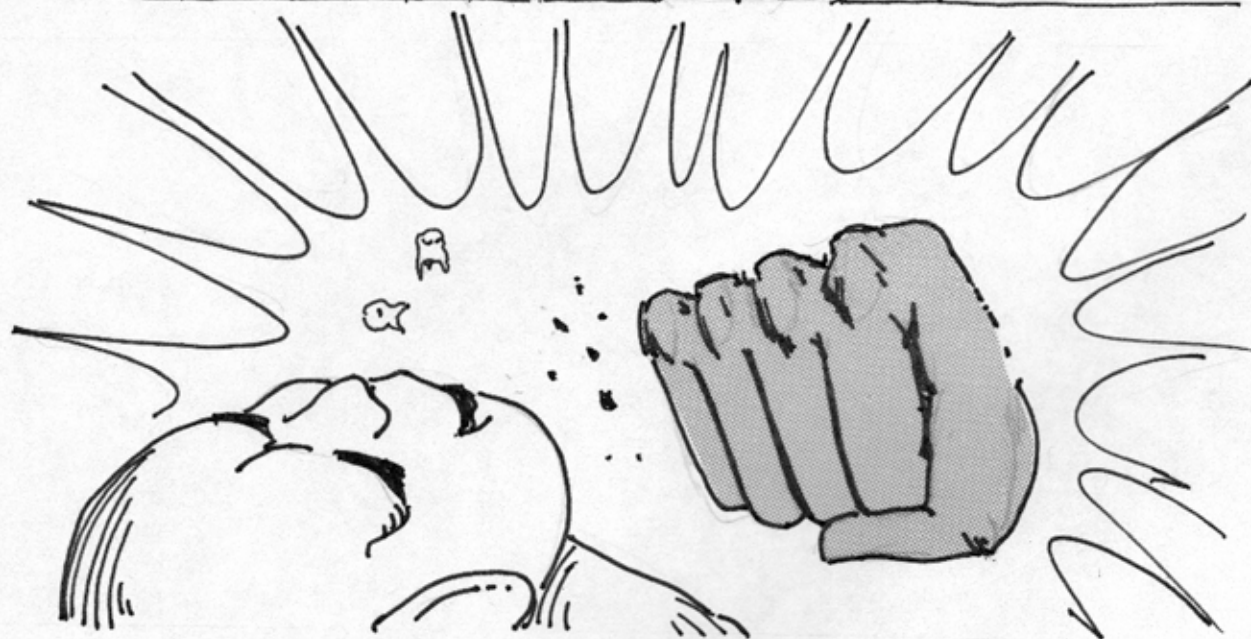
ZING!

ZING! ZING!

KCHING!

KZING! KZING! ZING! KZING!

13 ZING!





HA HA HA! YOU DON'T THINK I WOULD BE SO STUPID, DO YOU NIGHTSTRIKE? THAT WAS NOT ME, RATHER IT WAS A HOLOGRAPHIC IMAGE OF ME! YOU ARE MORE RESOURCEFUL THAN EVER, THOUGH. I KNOW YOU FOUND THIS OUTPOST BY FOLLOWING MY WALKIE-TALKIE SIGNAL!

YOU ARE ALSO MUCH MORE AGILE AND QUICKER THAN YEARS PAST... AND MORE DANGEROUS! MARK MY WORDS, NIGHTSTRIKE...

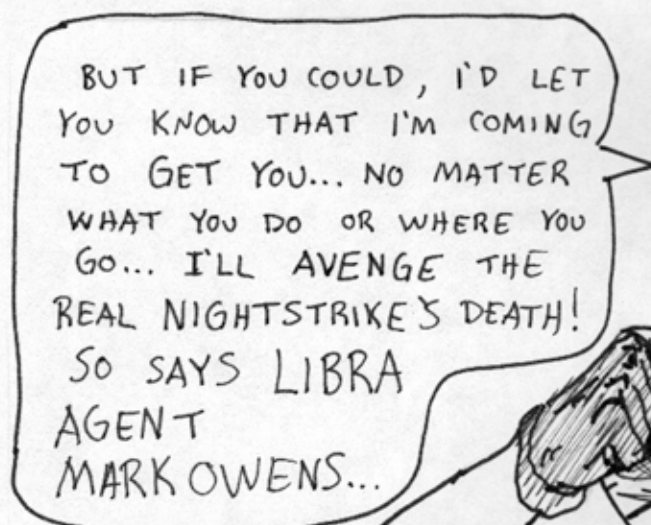


I WILL DEFEAT YOU AND YOU WILL BE SORRY YOU WERE EVER BORN!



GOOD BYE, MY ENEMY! \gg KLICK \ll

GOOD BYE MALANOV! I KNOW YOU CAN'T HEAR ME NOW...



BUT IF YOU COULD, I'D LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M COMING TO GET YOU... NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO OR WHERE YOU GO... I'LL AVENGE THE REAL NIGHTSTRIKE'S DEATH! SO SAYS LIBRA AGENT MARK OWENS...

...THE NEW NIGHT STRIKE!!

DEFINATELY NOT THE END!!! SEND YOUR COMMENTS TO DAVE LANCIANI THANKX!!